



## **PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL on INTEGRITY & EFFICIENCY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL on INTEGRITY & EFFICIENCY**



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### **Awards Recognize Accomplishments of Inspectors General**

On Wednesday, October 27, 2004, the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE) and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency (ECIE) will recognize nearly 100 individuals or groups from the Inspector General community for outstanding accomplishments at their seventh annual awards ceremony. The ceremony will be held at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium, 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, at 10:00 am.

Clay Johnson III, PCIE and ECIE Chair and Deputy Director for Management at the Office of Management and Budget, will present the community's most prestigious awards, as follows:

- The Air Traffic Operations Audit Team, from the Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General (OIG), will receive the *Alexander Hamilton Award*. This award recognizes outstanding achievements in improving the integrity, efficiency, and effectiveness of Executive Branch agency operations. The award was named for the Nation's Founding Father, who served as an Inspector General, and is considered the highest form of recognition that the Inspector General community can bestow.
- The South Florida Fuel Fraud Investigative Team, from the General Services Administration OIG, will receive the *Better Government Award*. This award recognizes courage, determination, and integrity, which contribute to the public's confidence in government and exemplify the highest ideals of government service as envisioned by the Inspector General Act.
- The Social Security Protector Act Team, from the Social Security Administration OIG, will receive the *Service to Congress "Glenn/Roth Exemplary Service Award 2004."* This award was named for Senators John Glenn and William Roth, who were instrumental in the original passage, and subsequent implementation, of the Inspector General Act, and recognizes the highest example of congressional collaboration and effective relationships between the Congress and Inspector General community.

In addition, Mr. Johnson will present the *June Gibbs Brown Career Achievement Awards* to Thomas Bondurant of the Department of Justice, Michael Sullivan of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and Michael Cesario of the Department of Health and Human Services. These awards were named in 2001 for June Gibbs Brown, former Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services, to recognize her leadership and contributions to the community. An individual accomplishment award and two PCIE and ECIE joint awards, to recognize efforts that benefit the community at large, will also be featured.

During the program, Gaston Gianni, PCIE Vice Chair, will present 75 PCIE Awards for Excellence and Barry Snyder, ECIE Vice Chair, will present 14 ECIE Awards for Excellence. These awards recognize accomplishments in audit, investigation, evaluation, management, administrative, and law and legislation areas. The PCIE and ECIE are composed primarily of the Inspectors General and certain government ethics and law enforcement officials. Inspectors General in the PCIE are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. ECIE Inspectors General are appointed by the respective Agency head.

Made up of more than 11,000 men and women, the Inspector General community is charged with being a significant, positive force for improving the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of Federal programs and operations and for preventing and detecting fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement. During fiscal year 2003, the community identified potential savings of nearly \$18 billion and was instrumental in nearly 6,600 successful prosecutions, suspensions or debarments of over 7,600 individuals or businesses, and over 2,600 civil or personnel actions. For more information on the IG community, visit <http://www.ignet.gov>.

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